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Entitled: OPERATING CIRCUIT FOR GAS DISCHARGE LAMPS

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AMENDMENT B

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Applicant provides the following response to Examiner's Office Action dated 07/26/93.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-14 and 19-20 are amended. All currently pending claims are presented via the attached document entitled RE-RE-AMENDED CLAIMS IN SERIAL NO. 07/770,414.

REMARKS

Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 5-14 and 19 as being either anticipated by or obvious over Moerkens.

Applicant's amendments to those claims obviate Examiner's basis for rejection.

In particular, all claims now include two features clearly not suggested by Moerkens, not even if viewed in light of Kastl et al.

These two new features are represented by recitations to the effect that the claimed power supply: (i) provides an AC voltage of frequency much higher than that of ordinary power line voltage; and (ii) obviates the need for a lamp starter connected in parallel with the gas discharge lamp.